

February 20.

## STRANGE FISH.

Landed at T Wharf, Boston, Yesterday by Sch. Florida.

"There are queerer fish in the sea than ever come out of it," said Capt. Edward A. Proctor of the schooner Florida, when he landed at T wharf, Boston, yesterday from a fishing trip down Portsmouth way.

To prove it, Capt. Proctor produced three amazing fish, each weighing about eight pounds and each uglier than its fellows. The fish had high, ridged backs and a hump in which was concealed the dorsal fin. The skin was loose fitting and thick.

"Them's lumpfish," said a knowing tar who has been about T wharf long enough to find out a thing or two. But a Scotchman contradicted him with the statement that the things were "cockpaddle," and another fisherman, who used to live in London, said they were sea owls. Whatever they were, every fishy authority agreed that they had no business in New England waters, although common in Great Britain.

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## CAUGHT HADDOCK IN POND.

Boat Companions Had Placed It on Fisherman's Hook.

Fred. Parent at Sanford, Me., recently startled the fishermen by pulling a six-pound haddock out of a fresh water pond. So far as is known here, he is the first person in the world to do this.

However, the joke was discovered later. It seems that Parent left his lines, and during his absence, one of his companions who had previously procured a six-pound haddock, fastened it to the hook. When the amateur fisherman returned, he saw the flag down and he was surprised, but after showing his catch to his friends he was informed of the joke.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Teazer, Quero Bank, 25,000 lbs. halibut, 2000 lbs. fletched halibut, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

## Vessels Sailed.

## Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.

Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.

Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.

Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

Salt herring, in bulk, \$2.50 per bbl.

Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$2.25 per cwt.

## Boston.

Sch. Rebecca, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Joseph H. Crumwell, 14,000 haddock, 300 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Julietta, 5500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Valentinna, 8000 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2800 hake.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 8000 cod.

Steamer Spray, 37,000 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Priscilla, 4000 cod.

Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$4; hake, \$3.50 to \$7; pollock, \$4.50 to \$5.

February 21.

## NEW CLAM LAW.

Slight Amendments Offered Relative to Caring for Fish.

Senator James F. Shaw Worked Hard for Its Passage.

Representative Clarence J. Fogg's clam bill has taken three readings in the Massachusetts senate and was yesterday passed to be engrossed.

The bill has been slightly amended, but it retains all that its framers intended. Originally the bill, which is an amendment to the law already on the statute books, provided that the provisions of the Sunday law should not apply to the "digging of clams, nor the caring for and dressing of fish." The new amendment struck out the words "caring for," and the substituting of the word "icing," so that the new provision will read as follows: "Nor the digging of clams, nor the icing and dressing of fish."

This slight alteration of the wording was made to satisfy those who wanted to keep the work down to a minimum. It was held that the words "caring for" might be so broadly construed that work might be done that was not desirable. All that Representative Fogg wanted was to give the clambers a chance to secure their clams and the fishermen to ice their fish after bringing a lot from the sea so that they would not spoil. The amendment preserved these rights and it is in every way satisfactory.

There was considerable opposition on the part of the representatives of the New England Sabbath Protective League, but the influence of the representative, coupled with the powerful support of Hon. James F. Shaw, and others, was so strong that the opposition was not able to muster sufficient strength to secure a roll call.

February 21.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Cape Shore, 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Circle, Owls Head, Me., 900 qtls. cured fish.

## Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.

Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.

Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.

Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

Salt herring, in bulk, \$2.50 per bbl.

Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$2.25 per cwt.

## Boston.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen, 50,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Mattakeesett, 4800 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 13,000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 400 haddock, 1200 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Lillian, 16,000 cod.

Sch. James W. Parker, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 32,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Emilia Enos, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 11,000 haddock, 1700 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Laura R. Silva, 11,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Titania, 1000 haddock, 12,000 fresh cod, 3000 salt cod, 4000 halibut.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 4000 haddock, 100 cod, 2000 hake.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50; market cod, \$3.

## Herring Notes.

Sch. Oregon has gone to New York with her cargo of frozen herring.

Sch. Silva Spray, from Riggsville, Me., via Boston, is here with a cargo of frozen shore herring.

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## UNUSUAL FARES.

Market Boats Have Struck Some Extra Big Fishing.

Large Number of Vessels at T Wharf, Boston, This Morning.

A fleet of 35 sail was at T wharf, Boston, when the bell rang this morning, all but two of them from shore fishing, and many of them with fares, far beyond their ordinary limit.

Not for a long time have the market boats fared so well. Most of them got their trips in two days fishing and some got their big fares in only two sets of the trawls.

Usually in winter, from 10,000 to 15,000 pounds is considered a fine trip for a shore boat, but today there are 18 of them with over 15,000 pounds each, and from that amount up to 38,000 pounds, sch. Emily Cooney, Capt. Patrick R. Murphyt being the high liner with that amount. Practically all have 10,000 pounds or over and a number are around 25,000 and 30,000 pounds.

Among the largest fares are those of schs. Emily Cooney, Francis P. Mesquita, Edith Silveira, Mary C. Santos, Teresa and Alice, Flavilla, Margaret Dillon, Maud F. Silva, Mildred V. Nunan, Sadie M. Nunan, Ida S. Brooks, George H. Lubee and Olive F. Hutchins.

February 24.

## FREE OF DUTY.

Are Salt Cod Brought to This Port by Sch. Bohemia.

Such Is Decision Handed Down by Treasury Department.

Duty will not have to be paid on 58,495 pounds of salt cod fish recently brought to this port by sch. Bohemia of this port, according to a recent decision of Assistant Secretary of Treasury Reynolds.

The fish were caught in Bonne bay, Newfoundland, by 20 Newfoundlanders, who were hired by the American schooners captain upon promise of being paid 1 1-2 cents per pound for their catch. These men unloaded their catch directly into the Bohemia.

In his decision in the case Mr. Reynolds calls attention to a number of decisions of the treasury department that fish caught under similar circumstances "with the assistance of men, boats and gear hired for the purpose," shall be entitled to free entry under the tariff law.

Sch. Bohemia is owned by Sylvanus Smith & Co., and commanded by Capt. Ormsley Seeley. She arrived here December 20, from Bonne Bay and Bay of Islands, N. F., with about 60,000 pounds of salt cod and 700 barrels of salt herring.

February 24.

## ADVANCE GUARD HERE.

Salt Bank Codfishing Season Will Soon Open.

Schs. Arethusa and Smuggler Will Probably Sail This Week.

Salt banking time has come around again, and the advance guard of the skippers came yesterday.

Capt. Clayton Morrissey is here to fit the big knockabout sch. Arethusa for salt banking and will begin work right away.

Capt. Fred Morrissey came yesterday and will also start right in to get sch. Smuggler ready.

Both schs. Arethusa and Smuggler will get away this week, both skippers being anxious to be early on the "Peak."

Capt. Charles Rudolph, the veteran of the fleet, also came yesterday and will make an early start, probably from the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. It is reported that Capt. Jesse Morton will go in sch. Hazel R. Hines this season, and that Capt. Daniel Rider is going in sch. Elector, on a dory handline voyage.

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### On Track of Missing Blond Rock Buoy.

The Blond Rock buoy, worth \$16,000, and for which the Canadian government has been frantically searching since its escape from its mooring to the westward of Cape Sable, was met in its runaway course by the big coal steamer Mystic, which reached Boston Thursday afternoon from Louisburg, C. B. Capt. Cain on his arrival reported that he saw the giant beacon thirty-two miles west-southwest of Seal Island at 5 Wednesday afternoon. As soon as Capt. Cain could get to a telegraph office he sent a message to the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Ottawa. The Canadian revenue cutter Lady Laurier has been scouring the seas for the buoy for many days and the information will doubtless be received with joy at Ottawa. The lamp alone on the buoy is worth \$3000.

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### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Claudia, Georges, 20,000 lbs. salt cod, 10,000 lbs. fresh cod, 7000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon, Quero Bank, 20,000 lbs. halibut.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.  
Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.

Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.  
Salt herring, in bulk, \$2.50 per bbl.  
Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$2.25 per cwt.

#### Boston.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 19,000 haddock, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Hookomock, 6500 haddock, 1500 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 23,000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 1000 haddock, 14,000 cod.  
Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 13,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 cusk.  
Sch. John M. Keen, 7000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 22,000 haddock, 500 cod, 2500 hake.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, 35,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Nokomis, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 28,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. George H. Lube, 12,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 9000 hake.  
Sch. Actor, 500 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 45,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Philip P. Manta, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Arbitrator, 18,000 haddock, 20000 cod.  
Sch. Francis P. Mesquita, 32,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, 22,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 22,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Seaconnet, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Rose Standish, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
Sch. Annie Perry, 15,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Dictator, 34,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sch. Louis C. Cabral, 5000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 700 cod, 2500 hake.  
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 20,000 haddock, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Stranger, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 10 hake.  
Sch. Hortense, 6000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Minerva, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Nettie, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Flavilla, 20,000 haddock, 700 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Sarah, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Viking, 14,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 25,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Frances V. Silva, 600 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Haddock, \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.35 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$3 to \$6.

February 25.

### ON LOVELL'S ISLAND.

#### Sch. Yakima Went Ashore Early This Morning.

#### Tow Boat Has Been Sent To Her Assistance.

Sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, of this port, while going up Boston harbor this morning, bound for T wharf, went ashore on the point of Lovell's Island.

It is understood that she is not badly damaged and a tug has been sent to her assistance. She has 55,000 pounds of fish on board.

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### HEAVY RECEIPTS.

#### Over One Million Pounds Landed at Boston Yesterday.

#### Some of the Fish Will Come to This Port To Split.

The receipts of fish at T wharf, Boston, yesterday, were the largest for a long time, there being 45 crafts with over 1,000,000 pounds of fresh fish, mostly haddock.

As a result many of the off shore trips were held over until this morning, and when the bell rang, several more big fellows were there, so there is more than fish enough there today and some of the fares will come to this port to split.

At this port, this morning, are two fine trips, sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, with 80,000 pounds of fresh fish, and sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Horace Wilde, with 55,000 pounds of fresh fish, both fares going to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Co.

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### GOOD-SIZED FLEET.

#### Newfoundland Will Have 21 Seal Steamers This Spring.

There will be 21 steamers engaged in the Newfoundland sealing industry next spring. The port or ports from which the steamers will sail this spring are not yet decided on, because much must depend on arriving at a decision in this connection on the winds and ice conditions between this date and March 12. The vessels, if any, that will go in the gulf are not yet known, or at all events their owners are not yet desirous of publishing their names.

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### PAID FINES.

#### Claim That British Government Settled for Fishermen.

A despatch from St. John's, N. F., says: "It has developed that the British government paid the fines of the colonial fishermen who shipped on board the Gloucester schooner Ralph L. Hall, off Bay of Islands in 1906, in defiance of the Newfoundland laws. The proposition of these fishermen was made at last in the celebrated controversy between the colonial government and the American fishing interests."

"As the whole fishing question now goes to the Hague tribunal, no trouble is expected next season."

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### Halibut Sales.

The halibut gut from the Pacific still continues and trade in eastern fish is very dull. This morning, sch. Senator, which came in last Thursday afternoon, sold her fare to the New England Fish Co. at 8 and 6 cents per pound, while the fare of sch. Teazer, which arrived at the same time, sold to the American Halibut Co. at the same figure. This is a drop of a cent a pound, all around, as since the sale of the fare of sch. Cavalier.

The fare of sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon will go to the American Halibut Co. at the going price.

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### LONG HADDOCK TRIP.

#### Sch. Ellen C. Burke Absent Five Weeks on Account of Bad Weather.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke of Boston arrived at T wharf yesterday afternoon after having been gone five weeks on a haddock trip. She encountered the heavy weather of the first of the month and disabled her rudder, having to put into Shelburne, N. S. Later she was towed to Lunenburg, N. S., for repairs, and secured her fare of 40,000 pounds of fresh fish recently.

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### To Allow Drawback Entry.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Reynolds has ordered Collector Lyman at Boston to allow a drawback on the exportation of fish nets manufactured by the American Net and Twine Company of Boston in part from imported cotton twine.

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### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Margaret, Quero Bank, 15,000 lbs. halibut, 3000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. John Hays Hammond, Georges, 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Effie M. Prior, Le Have Bank, 80,000 lbs. fresh fish.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.  
Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.

Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 6 cts. for gray.  
Salt herring, in bulk, \$2.50 per bbl.  
Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$2.25 per cwt.

#### Boston.

Sch. Susan and Mary, 53,000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Onato, 58,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.  
Sch. F. J. O'Hara, Jr., 50,000 haddock, 6000 cod.  
Sch. Cynthia, 53,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.  
Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, 60,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 30,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Raymah, 45,000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Francis Whalen, 7000 cod, 45,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.  
Sch. Walter P. Gonlart, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Catherine Burke, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 18,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Moanam, 45,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 50,000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 50,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.  
Sch. Mattie Brundage, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 7000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Rebecca, 7000 haddock, 1200 cod.  
Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$2 to \$5.50; cusk, \$3.

February 26.

### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Susan and Mary, via Boston.  
Sch. Ella M. Goodwin, LeHave Bank, 85,000 lbs. fresh fish.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.  
Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.

Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 6 cts. for gray.  
Salt herring, in bulk, \$2.50 per bbl.  
Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$2.25 per cwt.